我が好敵手に告ぐ
Rin * Haruka

Nota: "Senshu" is a suffix applied to professional athletes.

PASHA
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NANASE-SENSHU, HOW ARE YOU FEELING TODAY?
PERFECTLY FINE
I'LL BE DOING MY BEST AT MY OWN PACE.
PASHA
ARE RECEIVING CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION WITH REGARDS TO MEDAL ATTEMPTS.
IN PARTICULAR, COMPETITORS SUCH AS XXXXX-SENSHU FROM AMERICA AND YYYYY-SENSHU FROM AUSTRALIA.
IMPRESSIVE ATHLETES FROM AROUND THE GLOBE ARE GATHERED HERE TODAY FOR THE MEN'S 200-M FREESTYLE
ANY THOUGHTS?
ARE THERE ANY RIVAL ATHLETES YOU'LL BE FOCUSING ON TODAY?
PASHA

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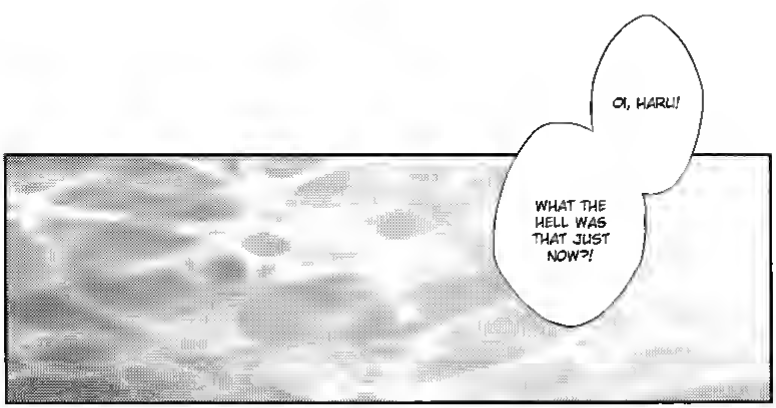
I DON'T REALLY PAY ATTENTION TO THE OTHER SWIMMERS AROUND ME.
I'M SATISFIED SO LONG AS I CAN SWIM AS I LIKE.
glance
PLUS...
MY RIVAL...
...IS MATSUOKA RIN
HIM, AND HIM ALONE.
Japan

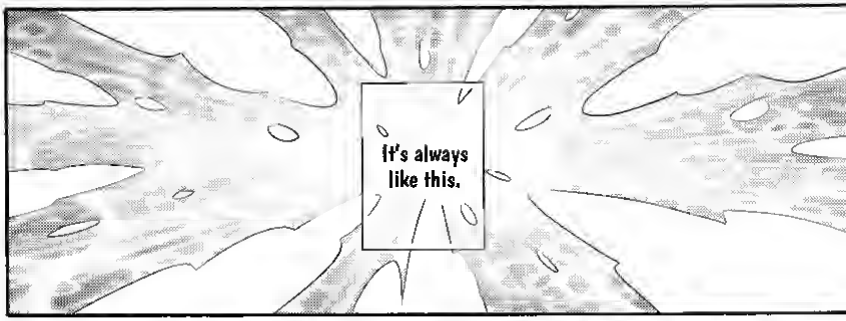
AH!
NANASE-SENSHU!
COULD WE HEAR A BIT MORE...?
murmur
murmur
...
CAN'T HE THINK ABOUT HOW I FEEL HAVING TO GIVE MY INTERVIEW AFTER THAT?!
I'LL BE SWIMMING TODAY WITH THE GOAL OF BEATING HIM
IDIOT!

I'm totally out in the open about being in love.

Informing my Worthy Rival



DON'T TELL ME....
YOU ACTUALLY MEANT THAT?!
DON'T PLAY DUMB!
WHAT WAS WHAT?
dive
AH!
JERK!
YOU DID THAT ON PURPOSE!
YOU LOVED IT.
KICK
KABLOOSH!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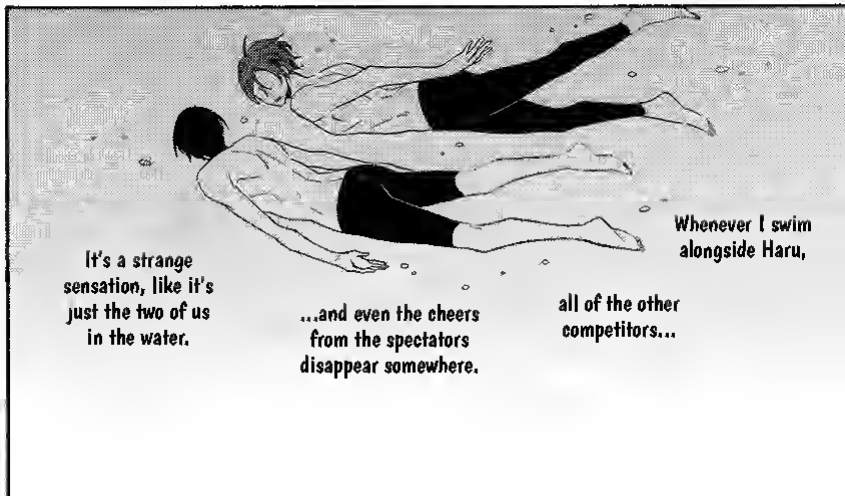
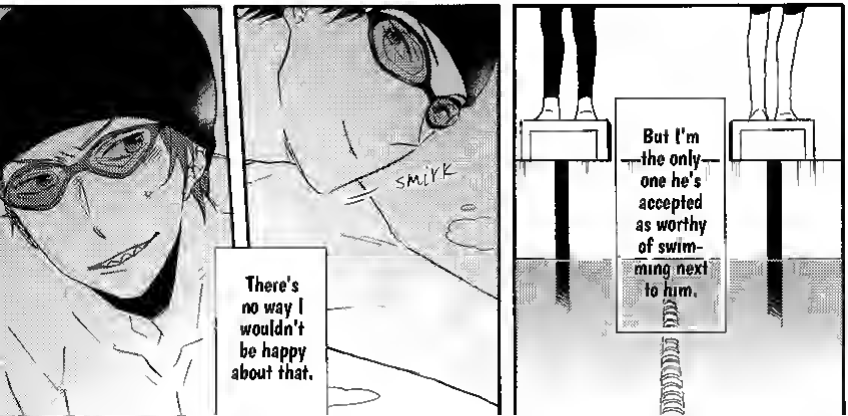

Whenever I swim alongside Haru,
all of the other competitors...
...and even the cheers from the spectators disappear somewhere.
It's a strange sensation, like it's just the two of us in the water.

He was practically chosen by the God of Water himself.

Though I realize that sounds over-the-top.



I can't stand it.
I want him...!
I'm gonna catch him. *Definitely.*
SLAP
I'll make him mine!

ARGH, DAMMIT!
YOU'RE TOO DAMN FAST!
THE RACE HASN'T EVEN STARTED YET.
DON'T GET TOO FIRED UP JUST YET.
YOU'RE ONE TO TALK
YOU WERE PUSHING YOURSELF PRETTY SERIOUSLY JUST NOW
ANYONE WOULD TURN TAIL AND RUN WITH YOU COMING UP BEHIND THEM SO DESPERATELY
YOU REALLY ARE LIKE A SHARK.
I FEEL LIKE IF YOU EVER CATCH ME, YOU'LL EAT ME WHOLE.
...HEY.

FOR TODAY'S FREESTYLE RACE...
IF I BEAT YOU...
...WILL YOU LET ME EAT YOU?
...YOU'RE WELCOME TO TRY

cheering
In the Men's 200-m Freestyle here at the XXXX World Swimming Championships,
Nanase took Gold, and Matsuoka took Silver—
providing Japan with double spots in the winner's circle!
cheering
YEEEAH, I FIGURED.
WHUMP
UGGGHH
DENIED YET AGAIN, HUH

You wanted to have sex with me that badly?
direct
NO--
JUST,
WELL...
...YEAH.
WELL, AFTER ALL--
WE'RE NOT DATING.
...YOU THINK YOU NEED A REASON?
SWIMMING WITH YOU...
...TENDS TO PUT ME IN THE MOOD
YOU KNOW
HUH?
.....

WHENEVER I SWIM WITH YOU,
MY WHOLE BODY FEELS HOT--
AND IT EXCITES ME...
IT FEELS AMAZING.
AND YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE I CAN EXPERIENCE THAT PLEASURE WITH
JUST LIKE SEX

"MY RIVAL IS MATSUOKA RIN. HIM, AND HIM ALONE."

I couldn't tell if Haru realized what he'd just said or not,

...one hell of a confession of one's love.

...WHAT KIND OF FACE AM I SUPPOSED TO MAKE WHEN I SWIM WITH YOU NOW...?

...IDIOT.

The End.